



Blaenavon Heritage Voluntary Controlled Primary School

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26th April 2018

TO: PARENTS/CARERS OF PUPILS IN YEAR 6

Dear Parent/Carer
Annwyl Rhieni

Year 6 pupils from our school have been invited to take part in the **Bay to Hay Project**. This project involves 13 schools raising awareness of the 'Send a Friend to School' campaign which supports children in Africa to access education. Each school has been asked to write a letter highlighting the important facts of this campaign to their local MPs. These letters will be carried in a specially designed baton, in a relay style walk over two weeks, from school to school, starting at Cardiff Bay and ending at Hay on Wye. The baton containing all the letters will then be presented to a Member of Parliament at the Hay Festival. Blaenavon will receive the baton from St Alban's RC school on Wednesday, 9th May and will be taking the baton to King Henry VIII School, Abergavenny on Friday, 11th May.

The length of the walk from Blaenavon is approximately 11.5 km which is just over 7 miles. The walk will be staffed appropriately and (in accordance with all policies) with first aiders, a hill and moorland leader and a vehicle following, with a member of staff in close proximity at all times. The route that will be taken can be seen on the attached map. The vehicle will carry the pupils' lunches, spare clothes, drinks and snacks. Transport will be provided home.

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Raising awareness for this cause is important to us all at Blaenavon Heritage as we already sponsor two children, Alex and Catherine, to access education in Uganda, Africa. Like other schools taking part in this event, we would like to raise money which would be split equally between the project and our two children, Catherine and Alex. Sponsor forms will follow shortly.

The children are being asked to walk a considerable distance, which we understand is not for everyone. Please only agree to your child taking part if you feel that they are physically capable of the distance and keeping up with the rest of the group. Staff and the Hill and Moorland leader have walked the route and it can be physically demanding in places. If you feel that your child is unable to take part, that is absolutely fine and they will not be excluded from the project's work.

On Tuesday, 8th May pupils that have consent will walk to the Fox Hunter carpark as a training exercise. They will be back in time for lunch but will require a snack and a drink. Comfortable appropriate footwear will need to be worn and appropriate clothing for the weather conditions on that day. If the Hill and Moorland leader feels that your child struggles during this session, for the health and safety of your child and for the rest of the group, you will be notified.

Further information will follow.

Please complete the consent form below and return to school by Tuesday, 1st May if you agree to your child taking part.

Yours sincerely

Mrs A Coombs
ACTING DEPUTY HEAD TEACHER

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BAY TO HAY PROJECT: YEAR 6

1	I give consent for my child _____ to take part in the walk from Blaenavon Heritage VC Primary School to King Henry VIII School, Abergavenny, on Friday, 11th May 2018.	
2	I give consent for my child to take part in the training exercise on Tuesday, 8th May 2018 from school to the Fox Hunter car park and back.	
3	I will provide a snack and a drink for my child on Tuesday, 8th May.	

Signed: _____
 PARENT/CARER

Dated: _____

Please print your name: _____

Please return completed forms to the school office by Tuesday, 1st May 2018

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